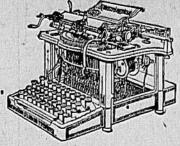
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TURF FRAUDS WIDESPREAD

Police of Three Cities Are After Alleged Swindlers.

CHICAGO, ST. LOUIS, N. Y.

Police in Chicago Raid Place Only to Find that All the Company's Books Had Disappeared-One Company Fulfills Promise.

(By Associated Press.) CHICAGO, ILL., Feb. 16.—Continuing

their policy of aggression against turf investment companies, the police to-day raided the office of J. C. Rose & Com-A thorough search of the office disclosed the fact that all the company's books had disappeared, only a few papers being found in obscure drawers.

The office of George Silver was raided to-day, but when the police arrived the doors were locked and the occupants had disappeared. Evidences were found however, it is said, which tended to show that Silver had been conducting a turi investment swindle.

Benedict & Company was the only one Benedict & Company was the only one of the alleged fraudulent turf concerns that made good its promise that it would pay all subscribers who presented their certificaties to-day. H. B. Rolaski & Company closed its doors Saturday, and to-day an agent stood in front of the elevator on the floor occupied by the concern, and informed all inquirers that the office would not be opened until next.

concern, and informéd all inquirers that the office would not be opened until next Monday, when every man and woman would be paid.

WAS A PLUNGER.

T. J. Arnold & Company were prominent here during the last racing season at Harlem, Hawthorne and Worth, wingles and the season at Harlem, Hawthorne and Worth, wingles a heavy better, never, it is said, wagering less than \$1.000 at a time. His greatest victory was that of Bessie McCarthy, which beat some high-class racers.

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Meantime Arnold & Company were running several books. When Lakeside track opened Arnold was the only plun-ger, and his leads were closely followed by race-track followers. He is reported to have lost over \$25,000 at Lakeside, and it is said that his downfall dated from that meeting.

From Chicago he went to San Francisco, sending part of his string of race horses to New Orleans. At neither point did he make any decided winnings, however. His stable included Peaceful, Maximus, Bessie McCarthy, Mary McCafferty and Fritz Brillar.
While in Chicago Arnold lived in expensive style at the Auditorium Annex and spent money lavishly.

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GHOUL GASE JURY

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

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for acquittal and four for conviction. On the first ballot taken Saturday morning the vote was seven for acquittal and five for conviction. The attorneys for the State have not decided what they will do.

There were several serious altercations during the consideration of the evidence in the fury-room, which came very nearly resulting in blows. Juror Lingenfelter accused Juror White of having come into the case prejudiced against the defendant. Hot words ensued and the matter almost resulted in a fight before the interference of others stopped it. the interference of others stopped it. This had a disquieting effect on Mr. White and later in the day he was attacked with heart failure.

Croker Isn't Coming.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, February 15.—According to the Eevning Post, Richard Croker has reconsidered his Intention of coming to New York for a visit before 1904. A letter received to-day at Tammany Hall announced the postponement of his visit. It is said that Croker had looked forward to visiting New York the appring It is said that Croker had looked forward to visiting New York this spring, and was sorry to have to alter his plans. "But," says the letter, "I know that any return of mine to New York before a campaign would be misconstrued by some, and might be deliberately distorted as to motive by others. I do not wish to unwittingly harm the interests of the organization. So I have postponed my coming."

Atlanta Girl Honor Student.

(By Associated Press.)
POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., February 16,—
The faculty of Vassar College conferred
honors to-day on members of the senior
class for high standing throughout the college course. The honor students in-cluded Miss Clara M. Thompson, Atlanta,

will meet Thursday night at Nelsen's Hall. This council will celebrate its twentieth anniversary on March 5th at Nelsen's Hall.

The interest in the revival at Denny-Street Methodist Episcopal Church is unabated. The church is taxed to its capacity every, night. Over fifty conversions have already been made and many more are expected before the meeting closes. Rev. George W. Jones, of Norfolk, is assisting his father in the meetings.

TALKS OF THE **OUTSIDE ROW**

Hon. C. C. Baker Praises the Northern Neck.

THE ANNEXATION BILLS

House Member Says the Gardner Measure Will Pass-Tonnage Tax Bill Goes Over After Speeches in Opposition.

Ever since John Randolph once spoke of the Northern Neck of Virginia as "the outside row," said Hon. C. C. Baker, of Westmoreland, yesterday, "it seems to have become a habit with certain people to speak of it in rather slighting terms, as a part of the State which is behind other sections in latter-day developments; as a section which relies on past for any consideration it expects in the present. This is a great mistake While our people are rustly proud of the great men of the past, and while it is true that the lack of railroad facilities has been a drawback to its full development, our people are by no means lacking in either push, pluck or capital. We have in the Northern Neck the largest fish factories in the world. We have more and better vegetable canning factories than any other oscetion of Virginia, and our canned goods are of a better grade than any other on the markots. We have in my county (Westmoreland) one of the largest, pretitest and most popular summer resorts in Virginia—Colonial Beach. Thousands of dollars are invested there, and the town is growing and improving in the beauty of its homes and the extent of its mreantile and other industries year by year. We have in the Northern Neck three prosperous local newspapers, which will compare favorably with any in the United States as local papers, and we have four flourishing banks, two of which are national and two State banks, run by the Munford Banking Company. Nearly every town has a handsome town hall. In the upper end of my county there is a magnificent plant engaged in manufacturing bricks from infusorial earth, of which we have large deposits, while near me on the Potomac extensive marle beds, from which the Baltimore guano manufactories draw their best material. In the past decade farming has made long strides toward im provement in methods and in facilities for shipping to market, and through the canneries in preserving in markatable shape, what was once waste, even when produced.

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The Committee on Finance of the House heard argument yesterday afternoon in opposition to the Whitehead tonnage tax bill, and indefinitely postponed

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Mr. W. A. Glasgow, Jr., of Roanoke, made a strong speech against the bill, and he was followed on the same line by Major Jones, of the Gayton mines.

General Rufus A. Ayers, of Wise, and



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other Southwest gentlemen were presen in opposition, but did not speak.

The Committee on General Laws of the Senate, which was to have disposed of the osteopath bill last night, failed of a quorum and the matter went over until to-morrow night. Senator Harvey, the patron of the measure, and several Senator Harvey. patron of the measure, and several Sen-ators, were present, as were also ex-Governor O'Ferrall for the osteopaths; Hon. Joseph T. Lawless, for the Chris-tian Scientists, and Hon. J. Garland Pol-lard for the Kellum Cancer Hospital.

The hearing of the bill offered by Mr. Wallace to create a board of telegraphy examiners which was to have taken place before the Committee on General Laws yesterday, was postponed, the House meeting at 10 o'clock and thus preventing the committee from sitting. The hearing of the bill has been set for next Wednesday week, at which time Mr. W. A. Glasgow, representing the Norfolk and Western, and Hon. A. P. Thori, counsel for the Western Union Telegraph Company, will appear in opposition. It is said that the Norfolk and Western is the only Railroad opposed to the bill.

The Stearnes bill prohibiting glot machines is still pending before the Committee of General Laws of the House. It will be recalled that the bill, after various delays, was given to a sub-committee to discover what action the Court of tee to discover what action the Court of Appeals is likely to take in cases now pending, in which convictions have been secured under the anti-lottery law. The bill is expected to be reported back to the full committee some time before March, and it will be vigorously pressed. There is little doubt of its ultimate passage, if it ever gets to the floor of the House, The Bland Firemen's Relief bill will

come up in the House as a special order to-day. Unless it is shoved aside by the general revenue bill, the matter will cause one of the big debates of the day, and may even consume more than on

day.

Pennsylvania and North Catolina are two of the States which are now contributing to firemen's relief funds, the former giving \$10,000 and the latter \$5.00. and may even consume more than one

There are a great many Tidewater people in the city to appear before the House Committee on the Chesapeake and its Tributaries to-day to oppose the bill of fered by Mr. Jordan, of Frederick, design-

ed to break the Baylor survey.

Among them is a lawyer delegation from Cape Charles; Judge J. L. Taliaferro, of Gloucester, and many others

The St. Louis Exposition Commission held a brief and informal meeting at the Capitol last night, but disposed of nothing of public interest. The commissioners informally discussed their plans, but nothing of a definite nature was determined upon.

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WILL WORK IN HARMONY

Ministers Have Decided to Stand by the Union.

FOUR BODIES TAKE ACTION

Decision Postponed by the Episcopa Clericus-Dr. Kerr to Represent the Presbyterians on the Business Committee.

meetings came out yesterday, and by the appointment of members to serve on the new Business Committee of the Ministerial Union tacitly declared their intention to stand by that body and work with it as in the past.

The afth demoninational organiza tion—the Episcopal Clericus—is still in doubt, and has postponed final action until next week.

The Business Committee, it will be recalled, is to have the important duty of deciding what subject shall and what shall not be admitted to the floor of the union for discussion. The appointment of it was a sort of compromise measure, which it was hoped would satisfy both sides—those who wished the union thrown open and those led by Dr. R. P. Kerr, who wished it closed to any matter not purely devotional. Dr. Kerr apd those behind him were not at all satisfied with the compromise, and it looked at one time as if they would withdraw, which, however, they will not do, it seems. At all events, the several denominational conferences were asked to appoint members for the new Business Committee.

THOSE APPOINTED.

It is a significant fact that the Presbyterian ministers met yesterday, discussed the matter and selected Dr. Kerr himself to represent them on the committee. It The Business Committee, it will be re-

the matter and selected Dr. Kerr himself to represent them on the committee. It is expected that Dr. Kerr will accept. A prominent Presbyterian minister said yesterday that, while nearly all of the ministers are in favor of the original Kerr resolution, they will stay in the union. They expect to have a majority of conservative members on the committee, and it looks much as if their expectation will be realized.

The Baptist Ministers' Conference unanimously elected the Rev. Dr. C. S. Gardner, pastor of the Grace-Street Baptist Church, to serve them on the committee, Dr. Gardner favors a middle course in the union.

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While the Christian ministers did not While the Christian ministers did not formally elect a member it is generally understood that the Rev. Carey E. Morgan, of Seventh-Street, will serve. At all events the Christian ministers intend to stand by the union.

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CLERICUS DIDN'T ACT.

After considerable discussion, the nature of which it is impossible to ascertain, the Episcopal clericus yesterday morning postponed action until next Monday. Owing to the rain the attendance was small, and it is desired to have a full membership present when the final vote is taken.

It looks much as if the clericus will not appoint a member to the committee. The Episcopal ministers, however, are keeping very quiet about the matter. One of them was asked yesterday what the discussion amounted to, and all he would say was "a variety of opinions." It took several minutes before he would consent to say that much.

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Snap Shots Taken

In Hon. C. Conway Baker, the young poet-editor member of the House from Westmoreland and Northumberland, who has a decided vein of humor running through his make-up, was leiling a good story in the lobby of one of the city hostelries, which greatly amused his friends. The various modes adopted by preached the Hon. Harry St. George Tucker to a Times-Dispatch representative at the Jefferson last night. "I do not believe in fighting friends and cannot get my constinued Mr. Tucker. Further than this the popular ex-Congressman did not seem inclined to discuss the matter, though, when friends crowded about him during the evening and assured him of their support in the event of his candidacy, his bright eyes sparkled, and he did not seem at all averse to receiving such assurances. Mr. Tucker is here with his bride, the happy couple having just returned from their honeymoon, which was spent abroad. The brilliant and popular Virginian will leave to-day for Hampton and Williamsburg, and will attend a celebration of his Greek Letter Society as location of his order the distance of the member of the House from Loudoun."

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Judge J. A. Page, of the city of Roan-oke, was a visitor in the city yesterday

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and was among his friends at Murphy's last night. Judge Page was one of Governor Montague's foremost leaders in his recent canvass for Governor and did effective work in the Roanoke section of the State.

Members were enjoying a joke upon Speaker Ryan in the lobbles last night.

On yesterday, the popular Speaker left the chair and took a deep interest in the details of the genral tax bills under consideration by the House, offering a number of amendments to the measure.

He had placed the member from Louisa—Mr. West—in the chair, and the popular legislator enforced the rules strictly, even as against the permanent presiding officer. Speaker Ryan with bill in hand, was often upon his feet, and once he arose and proposed an amendment, in an informal way, without addressing the chair. "The member from Loudoun will proceed regularly and not speak without first addressing the chair," interposed the presiding officer, Mr. West, and the House broke into spasms of laughter, in which Speaker Ryan joined heartily. But the incident did not end here. Later on Mr. Booz, rising to a question of order, stated that the chair should arise when entertaining motions from members. Quick as a flash Mr. West replied: "The chair will say that he was led into a laxity of the observation of rules by the example of the member from Loudoun."

Members about the lobbles seemed to be in a jovial mood last night. Some one was telling an amusing incident that took place during the Campbell-Crawford in-vestigation.

vestigation.

Major Conrad was in his seat near the main aisle by Judge Campbell, when a whiskered citizen from Amherst, who had imblied rather freely, resled and rocked his way up the aisle to where the lawyers were sitting.

There was a temporary lull in the proceedings, and the bright eye of the great

lawyer for Judge Campbell fixed itself upon the approaching object and when it came nearer and finally brushed heavily against Major Conrad, he looked up as it greatly surprised and observed: "Just from Amherst?" All who heard the spars of wit broke into hearty laughter.

Hon. Jonathan Woodhouse, the member of the recent Constitution from Princess Anne County, was at Murphy's last night on his way to Roanoke city on private business.

Virginians here last night were:
Murphy's-R. O. Craddock, South Boston; Ralph D. Gunn, Virginia; R. A. Ayers, Big Stone Gap; J. B. Ayers, Big Stone Gap; J. B. Ayers, Big Stone Gap; J. B. Ayers, Big Stone Gap; J. George P. Faville, Norfolk; Pembroke Petits, Palmyra; Mrs. W. Samuel Goodwyn, Emporia; F. M. Halstead, Norfolk county R. E. Boykin, Smithfield; D. G. Smith, Nowport Nows; C. H. Wood and wife Norfolk; R. H. Galt, Lynchburg; James Tallaferro, Gloucester.

New Ford's—M. T. Harrison, Miss Lula Jeter, Bedford City; D. Shady, C. L. Scott, W. L. Hitchens, C. Scott, W. White, Walter Wilkins, Cape Charles; T. R. Gaskins, Suffolk.

UNLUCKY NIGHT IN COMMITTEES

Councilmen Found the Weather Too Rough to Turn Out Last Evening.

Last night was an unlucky one for wind kept the members from venturing succeeded in getting a quorum. The Market Committee was scheduled

to meet and consider petitions pro and con allowing stands on the curbing of the east side of Sixth Street, below the wegetable market. Only three members were present. The Committee on Cemeterles would

have passed the pay-roll and attended to other matters had it met, but there were only two members on hand. There was to have been a joint meet

There was to have been a joint meet ing of the Committee on Electricity and Light to discuss the question of establishing a municipal electric light plant, but again there was nothing doing and lastly a meeting of the Committee on Relief of Poor was to have taken place at the Almshouse to give out the quarterly contracts. Four members and the efficient clerk braved the weather, but waited at the Almshouse until after 9 o'clock, but no one else came, and the matter was deferred until Friday next at matter was deferred until Friday next at 4 o'clock.

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